

Just as a lighted lamp has no concept of the darkness, neither does a working Christian vision an earthly environment of evil. This is not to say that such an one is blind to society's wrongs... but it does mean that he is willing to think and act and lend a hand to the sinner and thus help raise him to a better life. W. C. are optimistic with "hand-holds on Heaven's gates."

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## Lavish Ball Gowns Seen at Cobo Hall

Beautiful clothes, jewels and women! The United Foundation fall fashion festival and its array of beauty was presented to some 5,000 Torch Drive volunteers last week in the new Cobo Hall ballroom.

Sponsored by the Central Business District association in honor of the thousands of women who will conduct the annual give-once-for-all fund-raising drive which begins Oct. 18, the show featured 20 Detroit-area society personalities modeling fall fashions by America's top designers. Fashion commentary was by Mary Morgan of CKLW.

**MODELING THE** breathtaking fashions were Mesdames Semon Knudsen, Maynard R. Andree, Robert C. Fisher, Russell Strickland, Henry Forster, Walter B.

Ford II, Robert Kanzler, C. T. Fisher III, Livingston Howard, Hugo Higbie. Others were Mesdames Charles Brethen, Jr., Dallas Kelsey, Jules Schubert, Craig Smith, Edgar Fenton, Robert Rosenthal, E. J. Slotkin, Herbert Hart and Miss Charlotte Ford.

**IN ONE** sequence, billed as "Meet the President", a million dollar collection of pearls, rubies, emeralds and diamonds flown in from New York was used to accessorize the stunning ball gowns which might be worn to the President's Inaugural Ball next January.



## At Fall Festival

Modeling at the UF fall fashion festival last week at Cobo Hall were (from left) Mrs. Maynard R. Andree of Ridgewood drive, and Mrs. Russell Strickland of Country Club drive, both of Bloomfield Hills. Hair styles were by Tom of Birmingham.

## Former Local Residents Celebrate Golden Year

Former residents of Birmingham for 35 years, Mr. and Mrs. Young C. Smith, now living at 2602 Victory boulevard, Vero Beach, Fla., will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary today. They moved to 460 Pierce street, in 1921 from Fostoria, Ohio.

Mrs. Smith is the former Jessie Oliver of Niagara Falls, N. Y. A graduate of Smith college in Northampton, Mass., she is a charter member of the Birmingham chapter of the American association of university women.

and long time member of Missionary B of the First Presbyterian church of Birmingham.

**HIS HUSBAND**, a graduate of Wesleyan university in Middletown, Conn., is a (See RESIDENTS, 4C)

## Needlework Guild Plans Annual Fall Ingathering

Needlework Guild fall ingathering date is set for Wednesday, Oct. 19. Board members met for luncheon at the Bloomfield Hills country club last week to lay plans for the fall campaign of new clothes for the needy.

Most exciting change in the program for the fall's Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills branch, which has been in existence since 1932, is the location of the ingathering. It will be held this year at the Unitarian church on Woodward avenue and Lone Pine road.

**MEMBERSHIP** drive starts this week. Qualifications for membership are two new items of clothing or household linen. Membership chairman are Mrs. M. R. Liles of Lone Pine road and Mrs. Nelson

B. Noland of Half Moon road. In addition to Mrs. Noland and Mrs. Liles, those attending the board meeting, presided over by Mrs. Robert H. Porter, were Mesdames John S. Judd, John Shreffel, Morgan Collins Jr., E. Wright Young, William Hutchins, E. B. Hammonds, John Pletch, George Davis, Robert Nadal, A. C. Butlerbaugh and C. C. Paterson, honorary president.

## B'ham Musicales Plans Fall Tea

New members of the Birmingham Musicales will be feted Sept. 29 at a tea in the Birmingham community house. Members are requested to bring a prospective new member.

Among the committee members are Mesdames P. E. Flanders, Matthew Cammerer, Earl Cannon and Robert W. Smith. There will be a musical program followed by a showing of chapeaux fashions. Modeling the hats will be Mesdames Howard Berg, Owen Hall, Henry McQueen, Robert Livesey, Gerald McCray, Jack Charipar and Clark E. Fardoe, Jr.

## Open House At Will-O-Way

Will-O-Way Apprentice theatre announces the opening of its fall season. Classes will begin Oct. 3 and extend thru Jan. 22. A limited number of work scholarships are available to unusual teen age talent.

Beginning classes for children and teens will be available on Saturdays. Will-O-Way invites you to visit their theatre workshop, W. Long Lake road near Telegraph, for their open house Sunday, Oct. 2, between 2 and 8 p.m.

## Suburban Scene

By Shirley Adams  
Society Editor

### Golden Wedding Couple Feted

The Jack H. Seelyes' home on S. Cranbrook road, Birmingham, was the scene Sunday of a golden wedding reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Warren O. Seelye, Sr. The reception marking the 50th anniversary was given by the couple's three sons and two daughters and their respective wives and husbands. They included the Jack Seelyes, the Warren O. Seelyes, Jr., the Robert Seelyes, Jr. and Mrs. Robert Carrie and Capt. and Mrs. Robert Wells.

**THE SUNDAY** party, to which were invited family members and the golden milestone couple's many close friends, also was highlighted by a showing of the senior Mrs. Seelye's paintings. Primarily a portrait painter, she is widely known in Birmingham, Detroit and Florida art circles, painting under the signature, "Betty Seelye."

The honored couple will leave shortly for Sarasota, Fla., where they built a home a few years ago. Since then, they divided their time between Michigan and Florida, now plan to make Sarasota their permanent home.

**TO MARK** their very special anniversary, the golden wedding couple themselves were hosts at a dinner for 16 at the DAC last Saturday. With them were Mrs. Franklin Davis, bridesmaid of 50 years ago; and Julian Mead, best man at the wedding, also Mr. Davis and Mrs. Mead as well as the couple's immediate family.

### Couples Gather for Fun Fest

Detroit athletic club's Young Marrieds Party last Friday drew many Birmingham couples into town for the fun fest. Some came for early dinner, but more came for the 9 o'clock party start of dancing to the Seymour Hoffman orchestra music, and stayed for the midnight breakfast. Cocktails were served in the Georgian Room for early-comers; folks seemed to stream in from 7:30 p.m. on, and all evening there was visiting between old friends and new acquaintances. "It's such a friendly party!" was frequently heard comment.

**AT 11 P.M.** came an entertainment hour when talented amateurs gave a program. Judge W. Bearden of Tottenham road, Birmingham, emceed the first part of the impromptu show, then turned the mike over to Bob Chester, former nationally known orchestra leader now turned business man.

In one of the larger groups at the party were the Ralph C. Getsingers Jr., the Harry McDonalds Jr., Robert E. Fife, Frederick Erbe, Gene Whites, Howard Kestings Jr., and John C. Emerys Jr., also the Getsingers' out-of-town guest, G. McMurtrie Godley of Washington, D.C.

The Robert Pokornys and William Paddisons were in the group with the Judge Bearden, Louis Batters and John Aherns; the Byron Terices, Jr. and Thomas Brannas were a foursome.

**WITH THE** John Flannerys were Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence Pratt of Grosse Pointe, and noted were the William Millers of Bristol lane and the Richard Ruens, who were the Robert Pfeffers' guests.

### Portraits Admired at Party

Portrait photographers from Grand Rapids, the Maurice LaClaires and the David B. LaClaires, were honored last week at the home of Mrs. John B. Poole of Rathmor road, Bloomfield Hills. The dining room table was adorned with white and yellow flowers. And throughout the house this color scheme was used for the very special occasion.

Some of the guests admiring Mr. LaClaire's work were the Curtis Willsons, the Ernst Kerns, the Lester A. Colmans, the George C. Booths, the Warren S. Booths. One noticed Mrs. Robert Flint chatting with Mrs. Roger W. Kyes in front of the portraits of Ellen and Susan Flint. Also guests were admiring the large portrait of Mrs. Robert C. Vanderkloot, attired in a lovely blue evening gown; the four Knudsen children photographed a few years ago (See SUBURBAN SCENE, 5-C)

## AAUW Book Sale Coming Up Soon

"Growing pains" may be an old-wives expression scoffed at in medical circles, but a bona fide case on record is the American association of university women's Book Sale.

Each year since its birth it has grown, until now in its 32d year its bursting-at-the-seams proportions require a new house where it can live from Oct. 24 through Oct. 28.

**FOR THE LAST** 16 years The Detroit Edison company has graciously made room in its lobby for the annual book sale of AAUW. This fall the sale will be in new quarters—the Grinnell auditorium at Maple and Bates street. Robert A. Faulkner, manager of Grinnell's Store is, reserving the auditorium the last week in October for the Monday through Friday sale. Book browsers will find the Bates street entrance quick access to the downstairs auditorium. The sale hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Morrow of Detroit Edison, Robert A. Faulkner of Grinnell's and the countless Birmingham merchants, teachers and people of Birmingham who spread the word of the bargains in books.

**THOUSANDS** of books are donated every year by the members and their friends and are stored in basements and garages all over town until the sale opens. According to Mrs. Gerald C. Jornt, 21500 Smallwood drive, chairman of the Book Sale—"We have room for many, many more."

## UN in the Congo Topic at Meeting

Dr. Max Mark, a professor of political science at Wayne university, will be the guest speaker at the Sept. 29 meeting of the Octad chapter of the American Association for the United Nations to be held 8 p.m. at the Birmingham community house. His subject will be the United Nations in the Congo. The public is invited to attend. Dr. Mark was born in Vienna, Austria, and received his doctor's degree at the University of Vienna. He was an instructor in political science at Western Reserve university in Cleveland, Ohio, from 1948 to 1952 when he joined the faculty at Wayne university.

Dr. Mark has also had many articles published on Chinese Communism, Nationalism in Southeast Asia, Communism and Nationalism in the Middle East and the Future of the European-Nations State. AT THE CLOSE of the sale, 11 institutions, including hospitals and children's homes are invited by AAUW to make selections for their libraries without cost. The book sale, which has developed into a big business for this organization of women with educational ideals, owes its success to people like Carl Barton, Claude

## Denise Frances Scanlon Marries Rudolph Difazio

A Papal Blessing was bestowed upon Denise Frances Scanlon and Rudolph John Difazio Saturday morning at St. Alphonsus church in Dearborn. The Rev. Fr. Leon Page performed the 10 o'clock ceremony in the presence of 100 guests.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Scanlon of Dearborn. Her husband is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Difazio of Dearborn.

**GIVEN** IN marriage by her father, Denise appeared in a full length gown fashioned of Bangkok silk shantung featuring a V-neckline long tapered sleeves with cuffs at the wrists, fitted bodice and black pleats accenting the skirt. A small cap secured her finger tips with silk illusion. She carried a tailored bride bouquet of white baby mums and lily.

Serving as honor attendant was Mrs. John D. Lindner and bridesmaid was Shirley Spitz. They wore long-sleeved street-length shagbly of beige Bangkok silk shantung. Headresses were matching pillow hats with veiling and they carried bouquets of lily-sweet, bronze mums and lily.

**ROBERT J. LIVE** stood as best man and ushers were Al W. Sandner and John D. Lindner. For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Scanlon selected a cinnamon sheath with matching jacket. The bridegroom's mother chose a moss green ensemble with matching jacket. Both mothers had symbium orchids.

Following the double ring ceremony, an outdoor garden reception was held at the Betsford Inn.

**FOR TRAVELING**, the bride chose a black knit suit with white accessories. They are motoring through the Eastern states.

The bride is a graduate of Henry Ford community college, Michigan State university and is presently on the city desk of The Birmingham Eccentric. Her husband, a graduate of Henry Ford community college and University of Michigan, is on the city desk of The Daily Tribune.

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## 'Anniversary Couple'

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stinson of Benvilla drive, Birmingham, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary Sept. 4 at the home of his brother, Fred Stinson of Humphrey street, Birmingham. Among the forty guests attending were the Marlin Masters, who attended the bridal couple 25 years ago; the Lester Stinsons, the James Stinsons, the Fred Workmans and the Howard Eflaws. Highlight of the afternoon was a "This Is Your Life" program for the anniversary couple.



## Portrait Photographer Feted at Tea

Admiring a portrait of John B. Poole are Maurice LaClaire, Mrs. Edward Rothman (left) of Lakecrest drive, Birmingham, and Mrs. Poole. The Rathmor road home of Mrs. Poole in Bloomfield Hills was the setting last week in honor of the Maurice LaClaires and the David B. LaClaires of Grand Rapids, portrait photographers.

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## Plum Hollow Stages Annual Fashion Show

"Touch of Gold" was the theme for Plum Hollow golf club's annual fall fashion show and luncheon last Thursday at Oakland Hills country club. Guests were greeted at the door by club members, attired in black dresses with gold accessories. Committee members working on the show were (from left) Mrs. Larry Martens of Inkster road, Southfield; Mrs. Robert Gibb of Friar Tuck lane, Birmingham; and Mrs. Robert Otto of Brookside drive, Bloomfield Hills. Luncheon tables were adorned with bouquets of fall flowers and golden leaves.

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